

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 23-28 will be active in the application subsequent to entry of this Amendment. This Amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination and responds to issues raised in the Official Action of May 23, 2006 and the Advisory Action of January 19, 2007.

The claims presented above are directed to compounds of formula (II). Counterparts to claims 2, 4, 6 and 7 have been deleted as they refer to compounds of formula (I). Claims 15 and 16-22 have been deleted because of rejections in the Final Rejection made under 35 USC §112, first and second paragraphs and to advance prosecution generally. New claims 24-28 relate to previous claims 3, 5, 8, 9 and 13, respectively.

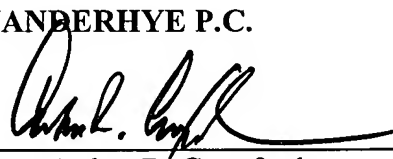
In the Advisory Action of January 19, 2007 the examiner indicated claim 5 was objected to which applicants understand to mean because claim 5 was a dependent claim it was objected to as depending from a rejected claim. In any event, claim 5 refers to compounds of formula (II), hence the main claim has been adjusted and directed to patentable subject matter. In reviewing the previous examination of this application, no rejections were applied to any single species of the genus of this claim.

Applicants submit that this Amendment places all claims in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance are solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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